

CLAM/QUAHOG DREDGE OFF-WATCH HAUL LOG

This log is to be used for recording dates, times, locations and the amount of kept clams/quahogs for **off-watch** hauls on clam/quahog dredge trips. Complete a new log for each group of hauls which occur during an off-watch period.

If the observer is aware of an incidental take of a marine mammal, sea turtle, or sea bird during an off-watch period, complete as many fields as possible on a Clam/Quahog Dredge Haul Log in addition to completing an Incidental Take Log.

Become familiar with the following definitions.

NOTE: Kept is defined as brought on board the vessel and retained for market or consumptive purposes.

DEFINITIONS

Haul Begin: First component of dredge(s) deployed, *i.e.*, dredge(s) hit the water.

Haul End: Hauling equipment put into gear.

INSTRUCTIONS

For instructions on completing fields **A, B, C** and **N**, refer to the Common Haul Log Data section of the NEFSC Observer Program Manual.

1. HAUL NUMBER: Record the haul number each time gear is hauled during this off-watch period, maintaining sequential haul numbering for all hauls (observed, unobserved and off-watch) throughout the trip.

2. BEGIN/END DATE: Record the month, day, and year, based on local time, that this haul began and ended.

3. BEGIN/END TIME: Record the local time, using the 24 hour clock (0000-2359), that this haul began and ended, *i.e.*, when the first component of the dredge(s) is (are) deployed or the dredge(s) hit the water (Haul Begin) and when the hauling equipment is put into gear (Haul End).

4. NUMBER OF BUSHEL KEPT: Record, to the nearest hundredth of a bushel, the captain's or mate's estimated number of bushels of clams/quahogs, in the shell, kept from the dredge for this haul.